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(FOR KEY SEE REVERSE)

- 1. An armed military column, five kilometers long, was observed on the road about eight kilometers to the north of Samokov. Traffic police stationed at the bridge over the Iskur River directed the column to Shishmanovo (N 42-27, E 23-36), from which it may be assumed that it was headed for Ikhtiman.
- 2. This column, of which all the materiels and all the vehicles were horsedrawn, contained approximately three groups, apparently composed identically and, in general, as follows:
 - a. Engineers with officers and men on horseback, and wagons;
 - b. Infantrymen on foot followed by wagons;

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- c. Three or four anti-tank cannons;
- d. Several 82 mm. mortars;
- e. General Services (kitchens, etc.);
- f. Four 76.2 mm. cannons; and
- g. About 60 cavalrymen.

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